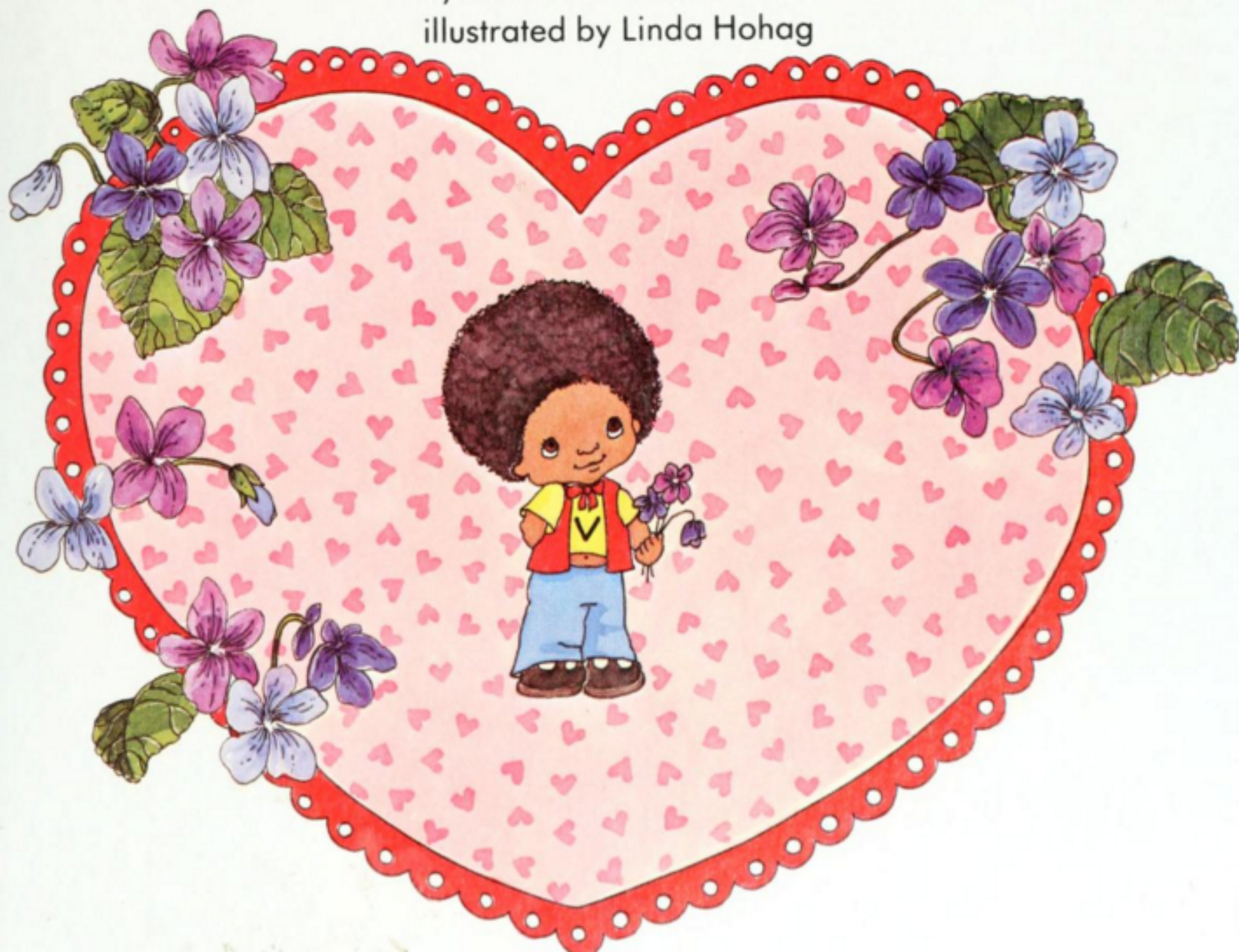


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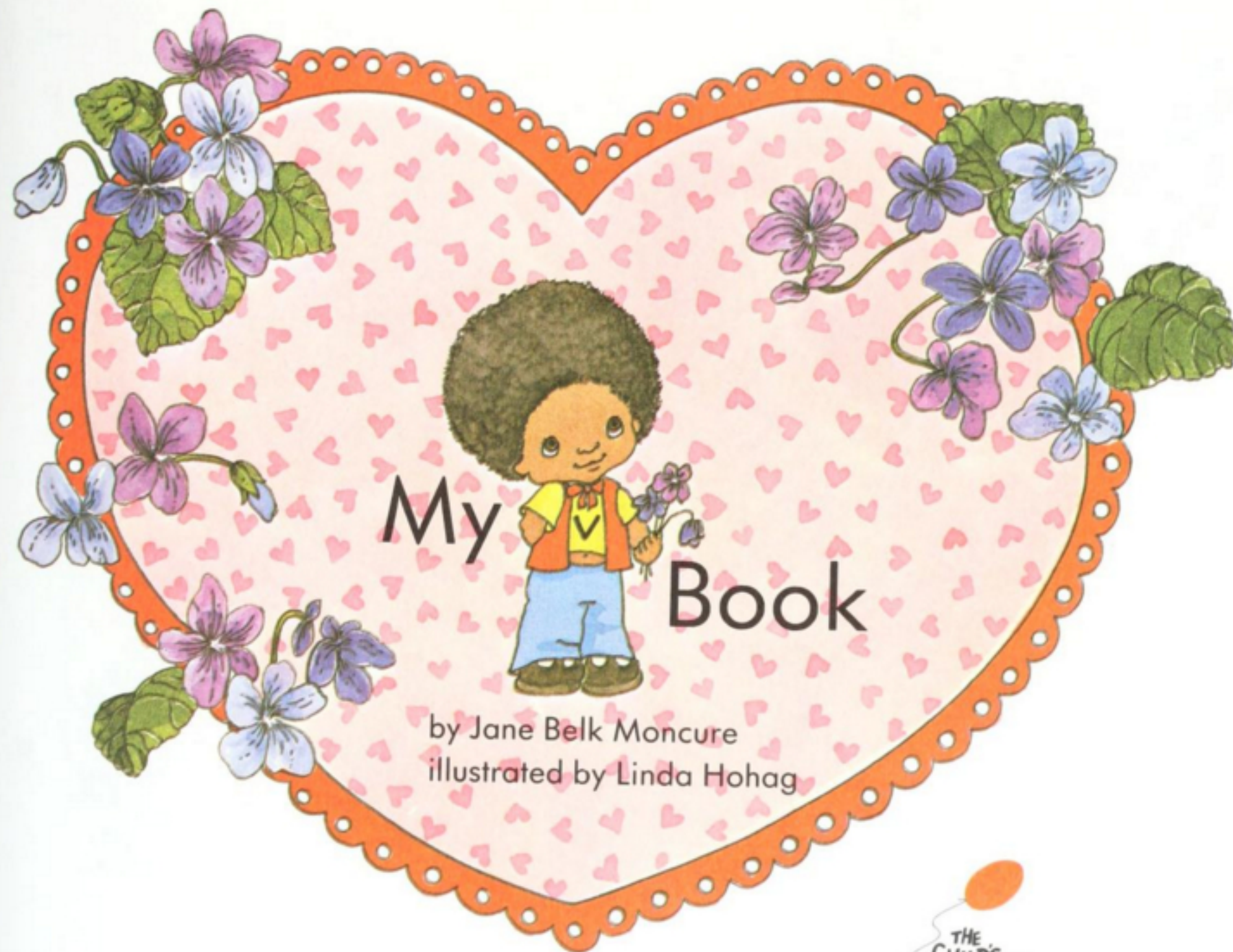
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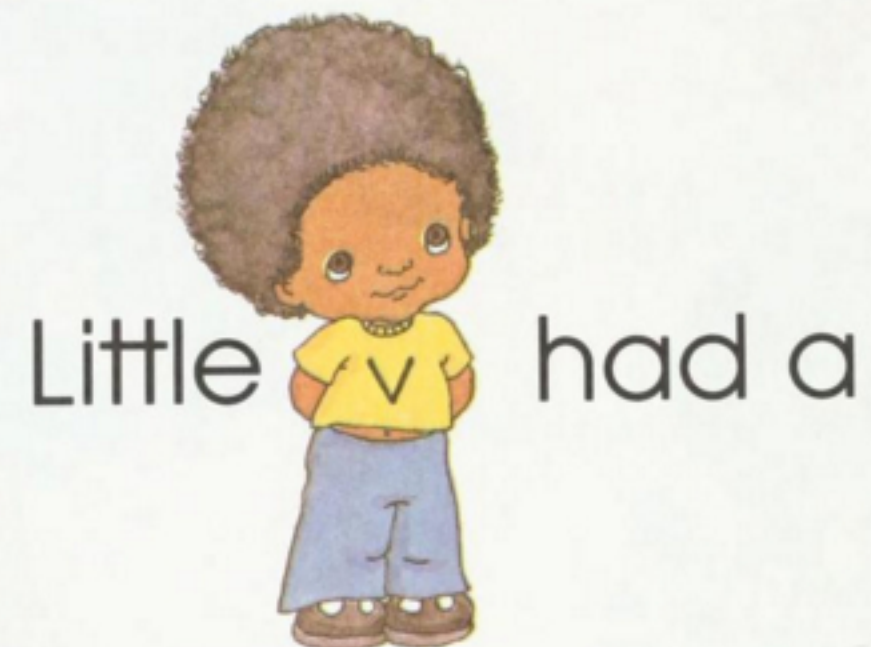
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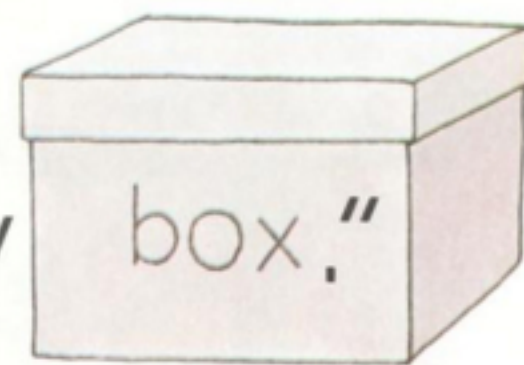


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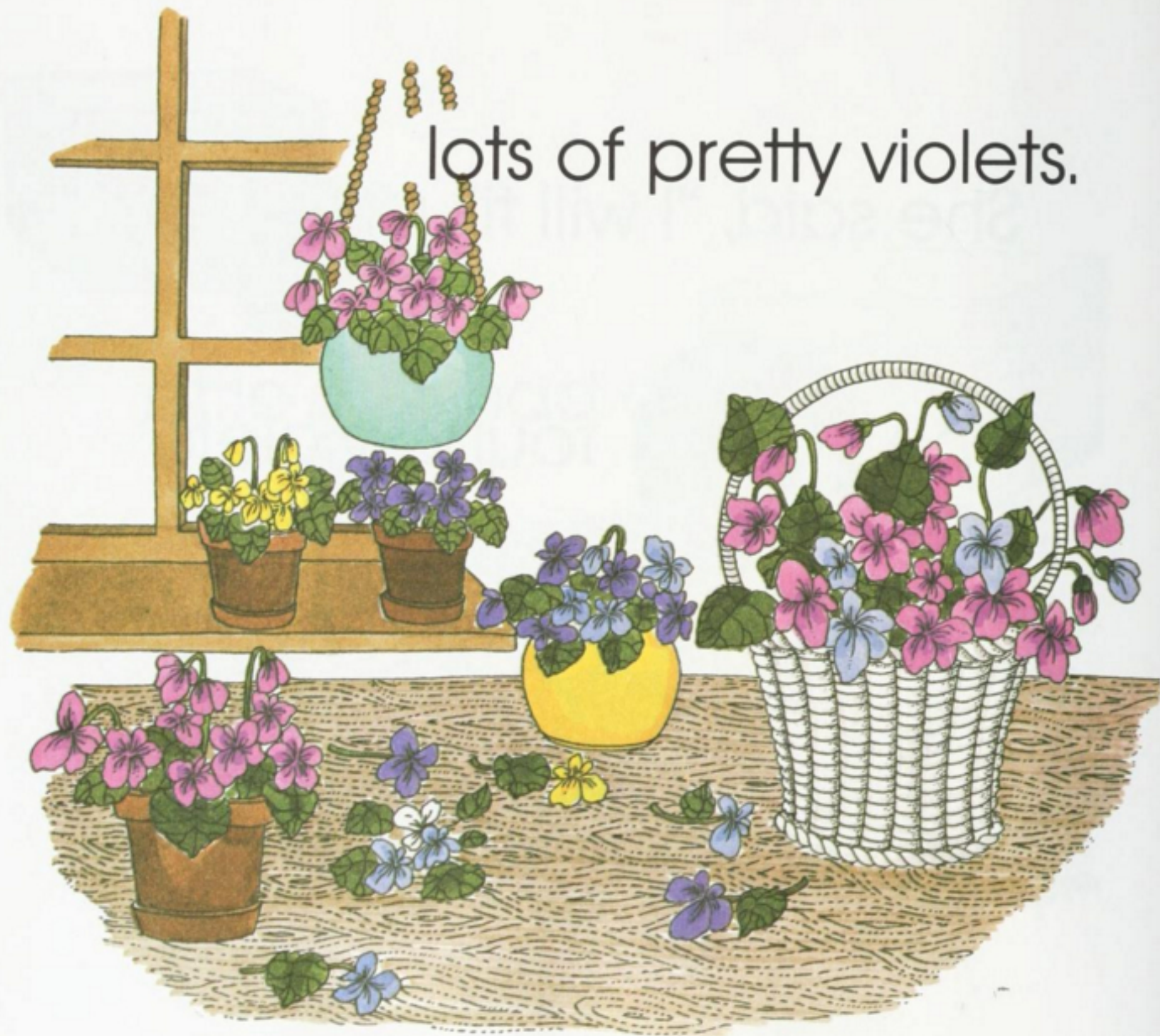
It was a big box.

She said, "I will fill my



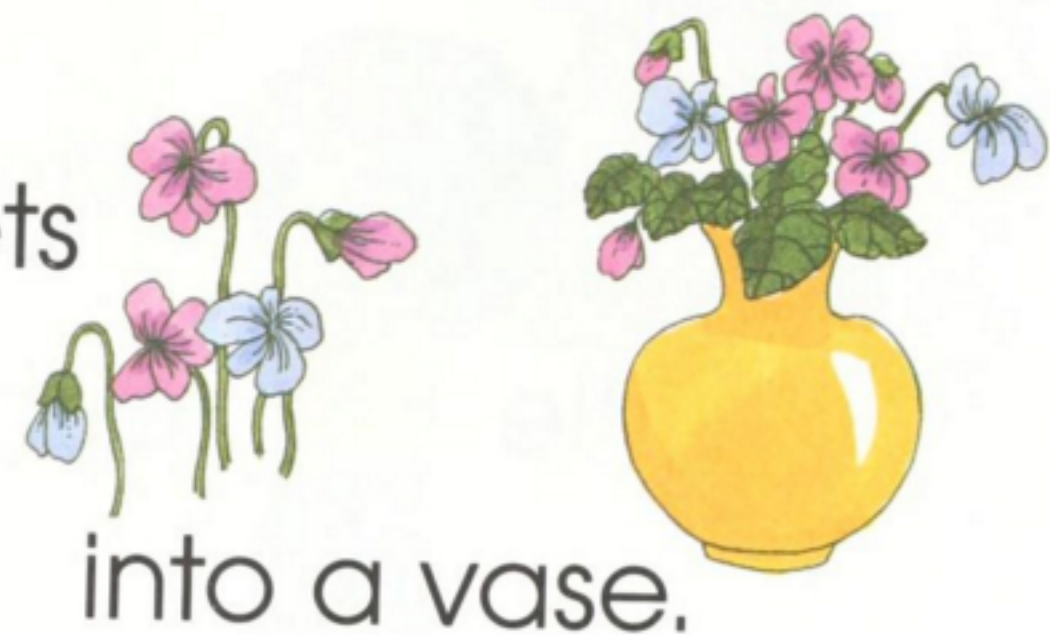
She  found violets,



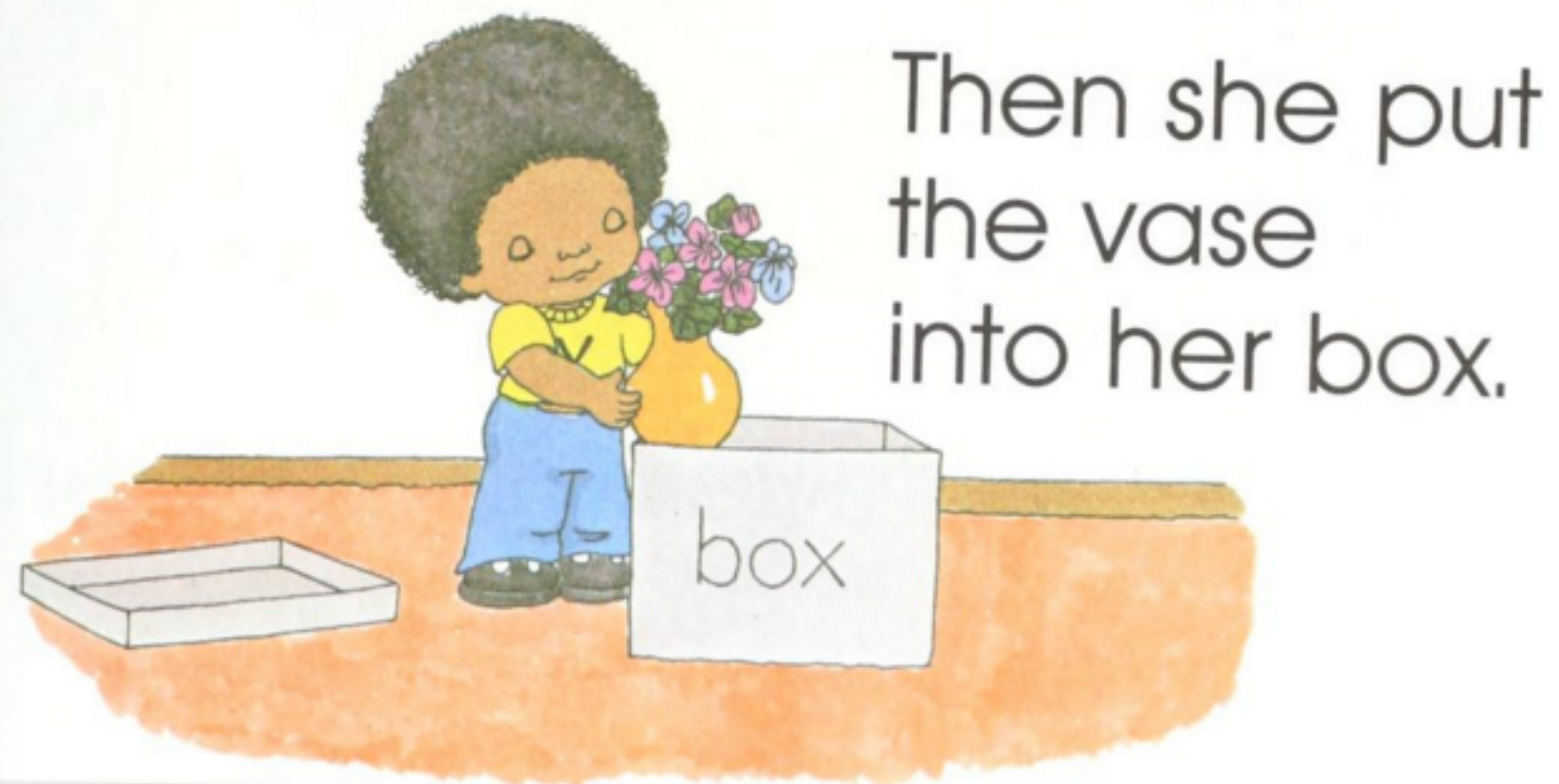


lots of pretty violets.

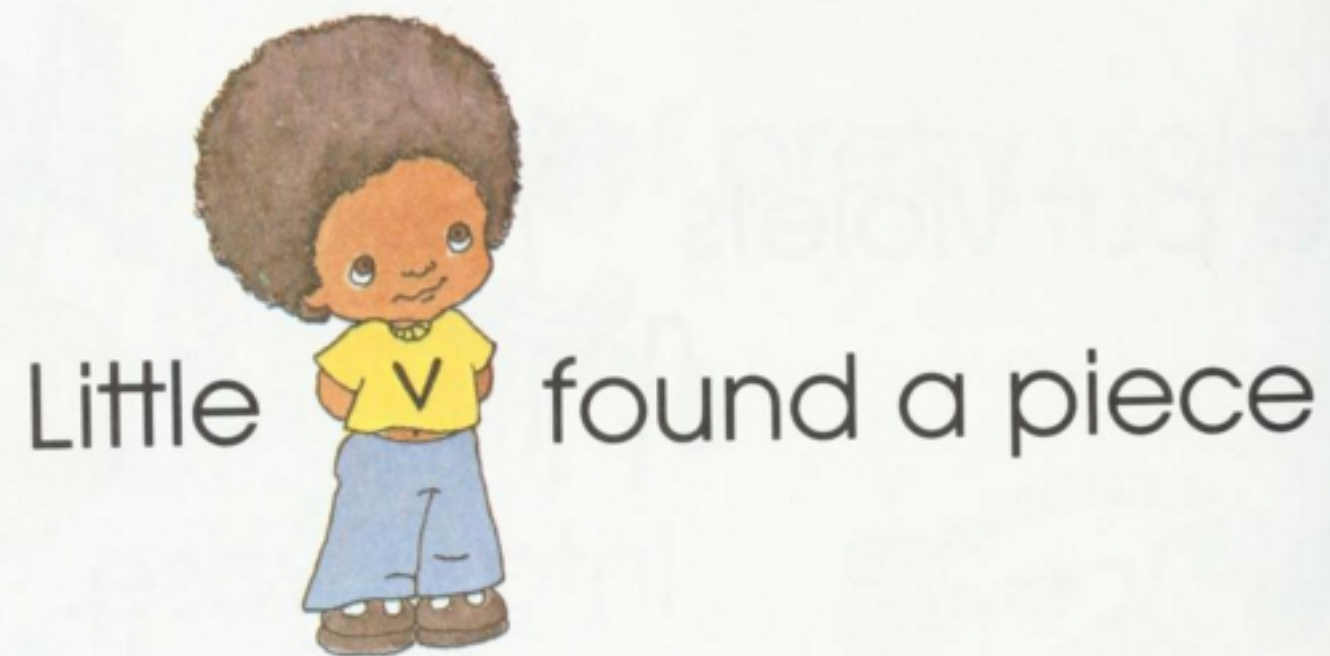
She put violets



into a vase.



Then she put
the vase
into her box.

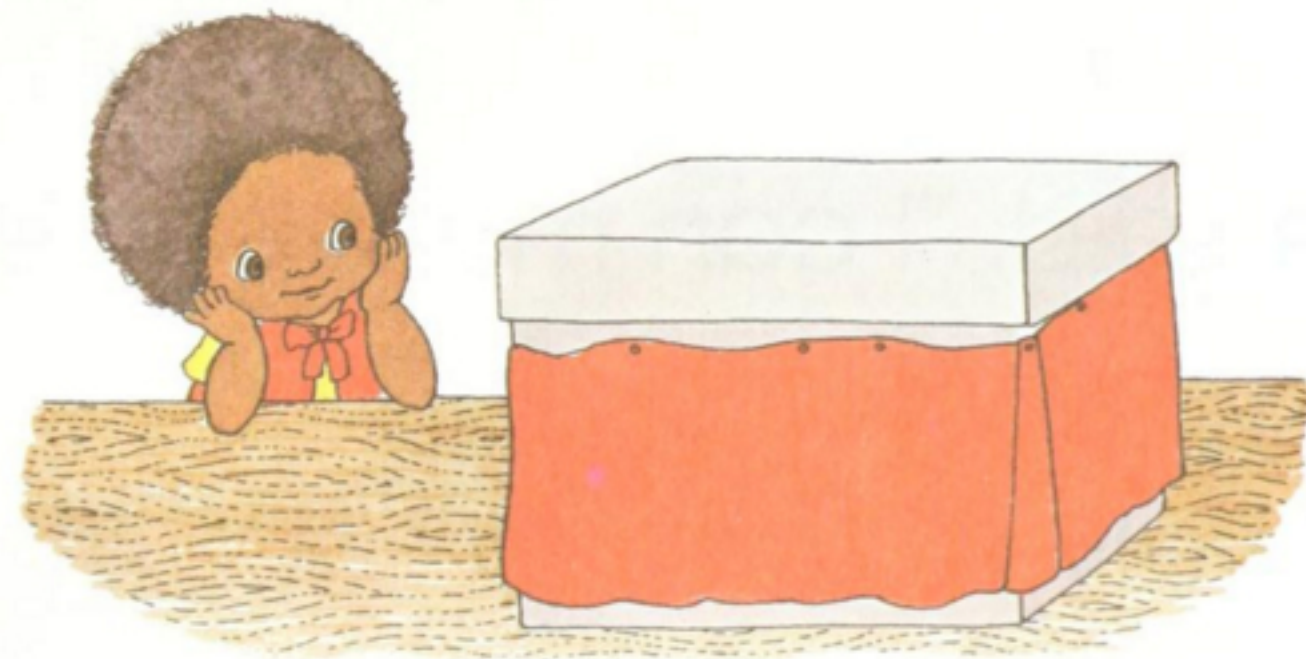


very pretty velvet.

She made a velvet vest.

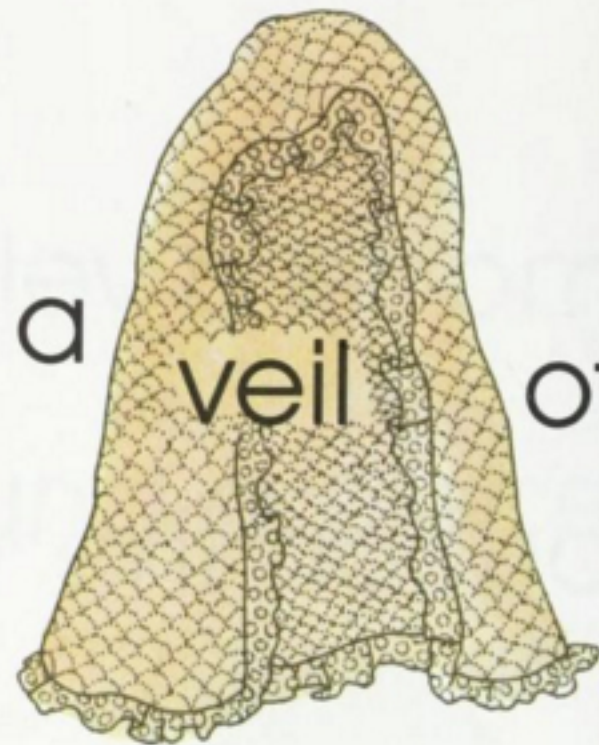


She put on the vest.



Then she put velvet all around
her box.

Little found a veil of lace.



She said, "I can make something
with my violets,
my velvet,



and my veil."



Guess what Little made?



She made valentines,
valentines,
valentines.



She found a valentine verse.



She wrote the verse on her valentines.

She filled her box with valentines.



She pasted valentines all around it.

But some valentines fell
out of the box.



"I have so many valentines,"
she said.

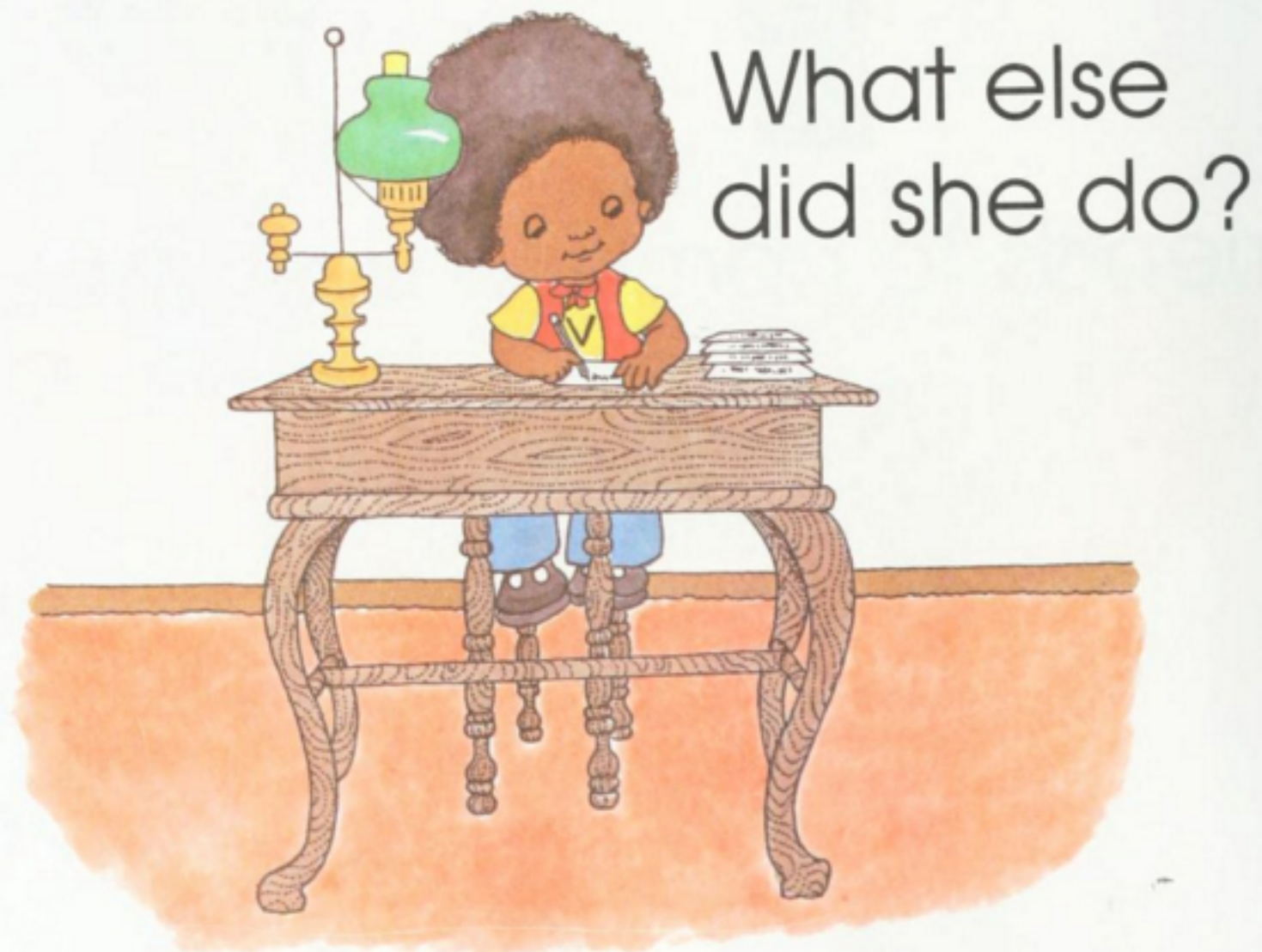
"I will give them to my friends."

So Little  invited all her


friends to come to a party.



She put valentine notes into envelopes. She put names on the envelopes.



What else did she do?

Little  got into her van and drove to the mailbox.

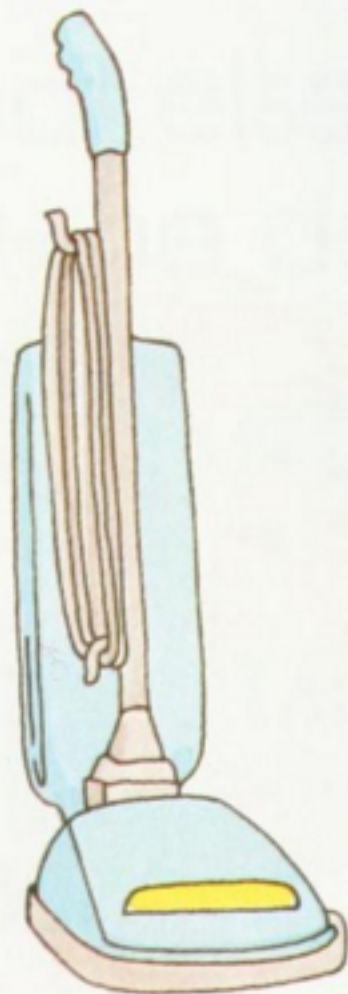


Then Little



cleaned the house

with the vacuum
cleaner.



"The vacuum cleaner will
clean up this mess," she said.



A colorful illustration of four children standing in a doorway. A boy with curly brown hair, wearing a red shirt and blue pants, is on the left, holding the door. Behind him are three girls: one with blonde pigtails in an orange dress, one with brown hair in a blue dress, and one with red hair in a striped shirt. The wall to the right is decorated with yellow 'X' patterns and a calendar for February. The calendar shows the 14th as a red heart, and the 15th as a red circle.

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valentine
hats.

A colorful illustration of five children in a room with yellow and orange patterned wallpaper. A girl with blonde hair in an orange dress is cutting a red heart shape from a piece of paper. A boy with brown hair is sitting on the floor, looking at a newspaper. A boy with a large afro is standing on a stool, holding a red heart. A girl with brown hair is standing behind a table, holding a pair of scissors. A boy with dark skin is sitting on the floor, holding a white hat with red hearts. There is a red heart on the floor.

What pretty valentine hats
they made.



Then they opened the valentines.



valentine hats

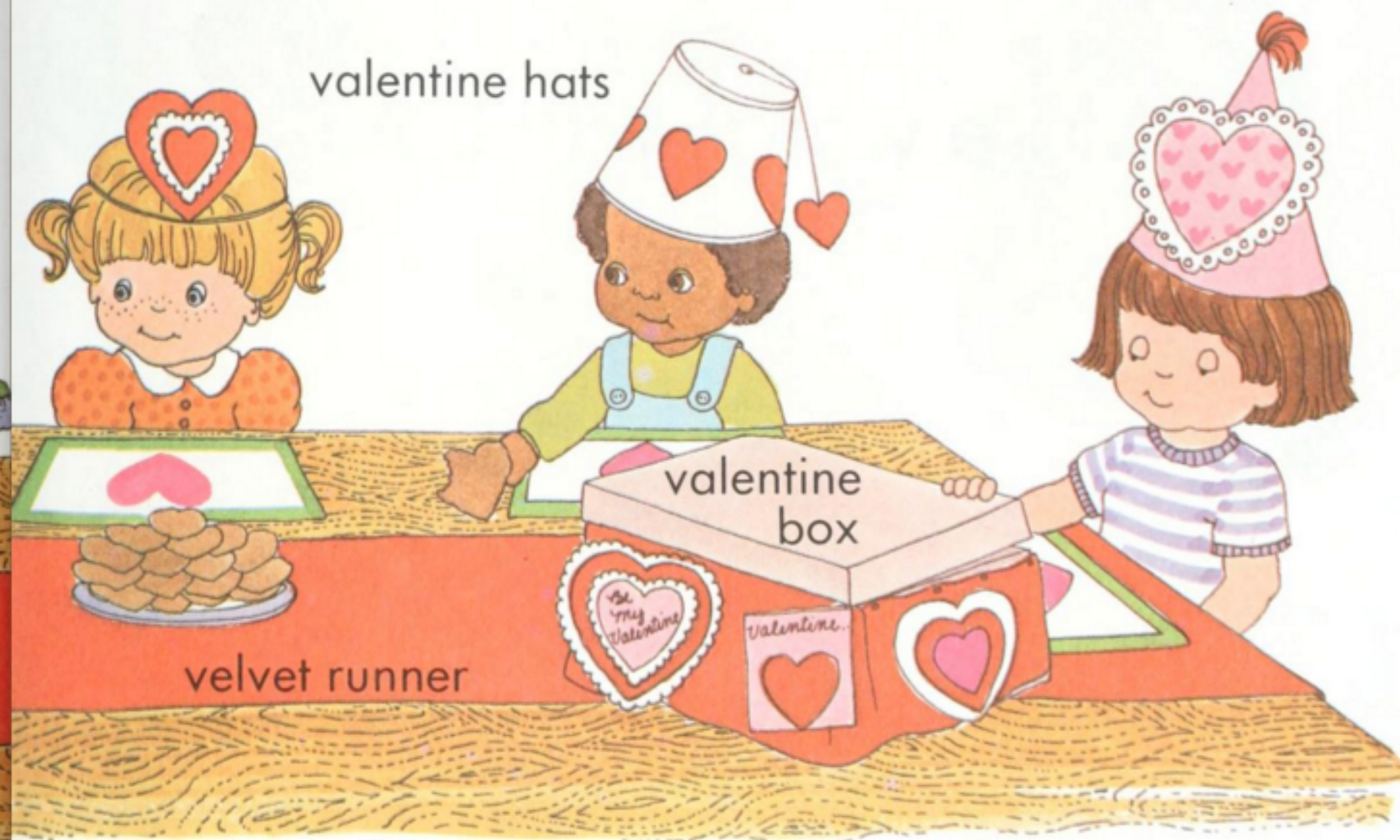
velvet
vest

violets

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valentine cake

What fun they had



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at the valentine party.

More words with Little .



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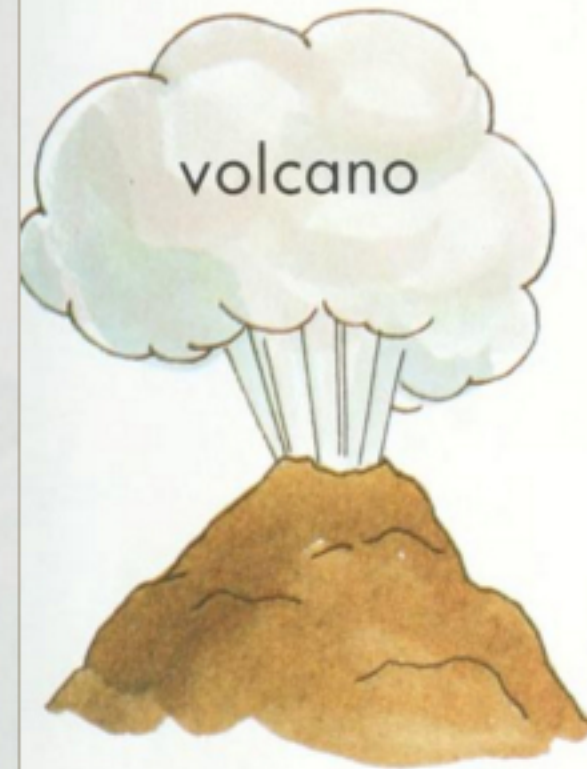
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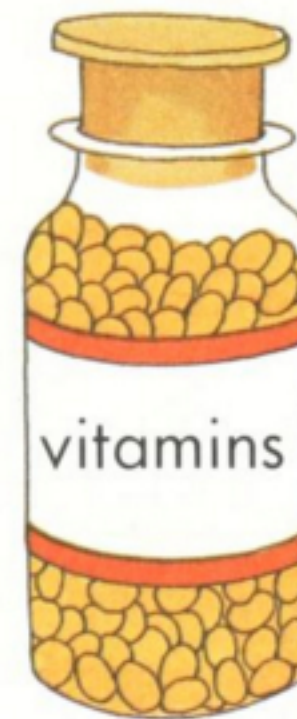
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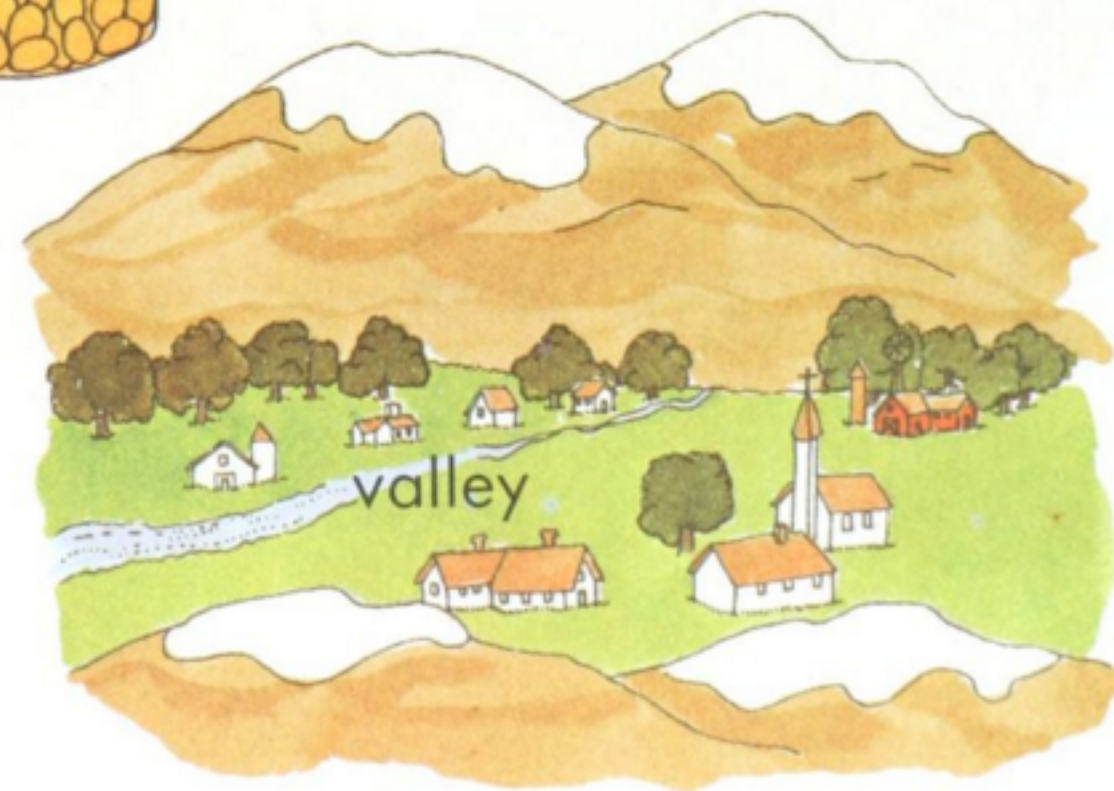
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